

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Everything Strictly New.

My first season in business—no old goods carried over. No moth eaten or shelf worn goods. Nothing but the newest goods, the latest styles and the best values will you find in my store and every department is brim full with

Prices Cut to the Core.

The following are some of the most popular goods that will be worn this season, all of which we now have in stock:

New Wool Armure, Broad Cloths, Venetian Cloth, Drab DeAlma, French Serges, Storm Serges, French Flannels in Plain and Stripes.

Scotch Waistings in all the new shades. Dress Goods at cut prices.

W. R. THURSTON,
Corner Store Pope New Block.

Cold Facts Plainly Told.

Are You Married

to any one store? If you are then prices, style and quality cuts no ice.

If You Are Not Then Get Your Money's Worth

and take care of your own interest as your friends are taking care of theirs. This is a business proposition and a money saving matter to every purchaser of Dry Goods, Notions, Millinery or Shoes.

We have bought entirely too heavy for this season, which is our loss, your gain. We are determined not to carry our stock over and are now making

Deeply Cut Prices in every Department

which will be sure to close out our fall and winter stock before the season is over, so come at once and take advantage of this opportunity to get choice of a new and up-to-date stock of goods at unheard of low prices.

Respectfully yours,

W. R. THURSTON,
Corner Store Pope New Block.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

The largest and most complete line of Millinery to be found in Middle Florida. A broad assertion this is, however, a personal visit will convince you that the above statement is correct.

I have employed for this season

An Expert Trimmer

who is second to none in her profession. She has charge of this department and will take great pleasure in showing you the very height of style and fashion in Headgear. A large line of Pattern Hats on hand and all the new shapes that are worn this season, which will be trimmed to order and entire satisfaction guaranteed. For Stylish Millinery give me a call.

W. R. THURSTON,
Corner Store Pope New Block.

Governor Jennings' Proclamation.

Governor Jennings has issued the following Thanksgiving

PROCLAMATION.

"In accordance with a time honored custom and in conformity with the proclamation of the President of the United States of America, I, William S. Jennings, Governor of the State of Florida, do recommend the observance of Thursday, the 28th day of November present, as a day of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God for his mercy and great goodness vouchsafed to our State and people.

"We have received from our forefathers the principles upon which is founded a Government deriving its just powers from the consent of the governed. No people enjoy more freedom of action, wider individual responsibility and greater protection than those living within our borders.

"The justness of our laws and the stability of our institutions as means of securing personal liberty and of protecting life and property have been severely tested by those among us who were not reared under our form of government, and who have been taught to obey leaders instead of the law.

"We should feel profoundly thankful that the grave situations which have been presented to our officers and people have been met and controlled by peaceful means under the beneficence and power of our wholesome laws.

"During this year the State has suffered a disastrous conflagration that left ten thousand of our fellow citizens homeless and temporarily without means. The sufferers had the hearty sympathy and the generous assistance of the people of our common country. This terrible calamity has been borne with heroic fortitude and its losses are being rapidly overcome.

"The population of the State is steadily increasing. Its resources are being developed and its advantages are receiving more general recognition. Unusual and successful efforts have been devoted to preparing the youth of the land for better citizenship by providing increased and improved educational facilities within the reach of all.

"With excellent health and encouraging prospects, our people are moving forward with confidence to a more extended prosperity.

"For all these and other blessings we should be devoutly grateful.

"On the day thus set apart we should

lay aside our usual business affairs and unite in giving thanks and praise to a wise and merciful providence, invoking a continuance of his blessings to our people.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Tallahassee this seventh day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth and twenty-sixth.

WILLIAM S. JENNINGS

Governor.

"By the Governor—Attest:

JOHN L. CRAWFORD,
Secretary of State."

Double Daily Service on the Valdosta Southern.

Beginning Monday last the Valdosta Southern Railway inaugurated a double daily service over its line between Valdosta and Madison. The new train is scheduled to leave Valdosta at 9:30 o'clock, a. m., every day except Sunday, and arrive at Madison at 11. Returning, this train leaves Madison at 2 o'clock, p. m., arriving at Valdosta at 3:30 p. m., thus giving visitors three hours in Madison. Train No. 1 arrives and departs as before, there being no change of its schedule. Attention is called to the change of time card as it appears in this paper. We understand that a Sunday schedule will be put on soon.

Skunks of the Genus Chinca.

The skunk first appears in history in the year 1636, when he was described in Theodor's "History of Canada." He had been a long time on the earth before that time, however, for there are species of fossil skunks. The skunks of the genus Chinca range over the greater part of North America and as far south as Mexico. Other skunks are found in Central and South America. They live in burrows either of other animals or made by themselves. Their habits are chiefly nocturnal, and they hibernate only in the severest part of the winter. Their food consists of small animals, of insects and birds' eggs. Grasshoppers are eaten by hundreds. They have been trapped for their fur for many years.

The young are born in litters of four to ten. The adults occasionally rob the poultry yard, but such depredations as they commit are more than offset by their destruction of noxious ani-

mals and insects, especially the white grub, the pest of lawns and meadows. They are easily trapped in box traps and can be killed by putting them, trap and all, in a trough of water.

Widespread Ignorance About Clocks

There is a good deal of popular ignorance on the subject of managing watches and clocks. Many people manage never to have the right time and expend a good deal of money on repairs of their timepieces that could be saved by rudimentary instruction. Pendulum clocks are especially liable to give much trouble to the careless or the ignorant, or to those who will not take the trouble to learn how to use them properly. There are many costly pendulum clocks that never tell the time, because the owners have given them up in despair, although there may be nothing the matter with the clocks except that they are not level or that the delicate pendulum has got disarranged by some ignorant twist.

A Cat as a Retriever.

A very high idea of human patience is given by the account of a correspondent of Forest and Stream, who has, he says, tamed a common cat to retrieve. Patience, gentleness, entire absence of force, were his maxims.

Whenever game had been killed the cat was led to it, and the game was given to him. Next the cat sought the game on his own account. Next he was taught to stay close to his master, at first perched on his shoulder. He was then taught not to fear the sound of the gun, beginning with a little carbine, then proceeding to the fowling piece. When the gun was fired, a common ball was pitched forward by the master, and the connection between the report of the piece and retrieving was established. Then a dead bird was substituted for the ball, and it was at first thrown from the hand and afterward dropped from the branch of a distant tree. The education of this particular cat is now complete. He retrieves perfectly, points sometimes and in general conducts himself like a hunting dog.

The biologists deny the inheritance of acquired characteristics. If it were not for their doctrine, this learned animal might become the progenitor of a long line of useful hunting cats. As it is, he stands as a living monument to human patience and as a proof that even the cat may be educated.

We do not believe that any one who makes it a practice to go around and tell people what they should be thankful for is ever liked.—Acheson Globe.

A Dream Story.

In November, 1893, I awoke one morning fully impressed with the idea that I was receiving as a gift an unusually large gypsy ring set with a single sapphire with a brilliant on each side. The dream was a pleasant one to the female mind, and I soon fell asleep again, but only to awake with a still stronger impression that the jewel was actually in my hands. So curious were my sensations that on my maid entering my room at 8 o'clock I told her of the two dreams, most minutely describing the ring, and I also asked my husband to bear witness to the statement should anything follow to confirm the dream.

Two hours later the postman arrived, and so great were my excitement and astonishment at seeing a small, neatly done up packet (evidently a ring case) that I dare scarcely open it and decided to ask my maid to do so. Before breaking the seal I asked her to repeat the description of the ring that I had previously given her, and then the little packet was opened, and the joyful exclamation followed, "Why, my lady, here it is!" The ring was sent to me by a friend in memory of his wife, who had died some months before, but I had absolutely no idea that I should be the recipient of any souvenir of her, nor did I ever see her wearing the ring in question.—Spectator.

Orthodox Hard to Find.

A Scotch elder, who did not believe that his own minister held strictly orthodox views, wished to have his babe baptized, but would not risk its spiritual welfare by having him perform the rite in any heterodox manner. So he walked to another town only to find the minister he sought was away fishing. The next one he was directed to had gone hunting. Filled with indignation he said to his companion: "We'll gang to Maister Erskine. That godly man will no be fishing or hunting."

So he found the house, but as he approached it he heard the sound of music. When the servant lassie opened the door, he remarked to her: "Ye have company the night. I hear the fiddle going."

"Na, na," she answered, blushing. "Robin could na play like yon, but the minister aye fiddles a bit afore he goes to bed."

The good man went away without making his errand known. No minister who played the fiddle could baptize his bairn, so he went back to his own, who neither fished, hunted, nor played forbidden music, and let him name the child.

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No. 1	Pass	STATIONS.	Arrive.	Leave.
7:40	0	VALDOSTA	28	29
4:25	6	Dees	22	23
4:35	8	Briggston	20	21
4:50	10	Clyatville	18	19
5:00	14	Olympia	14	15
5:20	18	Pinetta	10	11
5:40	21	Hanson	7	8
6:20	25	MADISON	0	1
P.M.		Arrive.	Leave.	

†Daily, except Sunday, & Standard.—Central Time.
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